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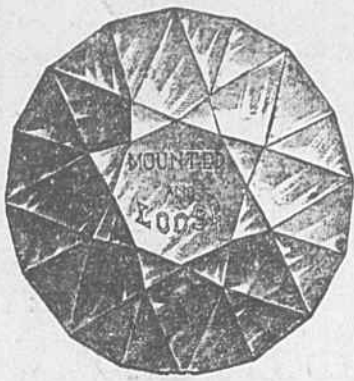
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NEW THEATRE OPENED.

The Pretty Muses Crowded Several Times Yesterday.

A COMPLETE LITTLE HOUSE IT IS.

And It Enters Upon Its Career Under Favorable Auspices, With a List of Attractions That Wins Approval From All—Something About the Personnel of the Enterprise.

The opening of the cozy place of amusement, the new Muses Theatre, yesterday was a big success, a large crowd being in attendance at every performance. Between twelve and fifteen hundred people were present during the day. Shows were given at hourly intervals. To a large portion of them the interior of the place was in the nature of a revelation, for the perfection with which every detail has been carried out both in arrangements and decorations.

The formal opening took place in the afternoon in the presence of over 300 invited guests, among them being a



number of leading business men, city officials, newspaper men and a large sprinkling of the fair sex, all of whom were highly pleased with the performance.

The first place of interest to which the public is admitted is the curio hall, which is handsomely fitted up in hard wood and attractively papered in a neat design of a light shade. On different sides are placed the stages for the various curiosities, which will be changed every week. In this room patrons can obtain both rest and refreshments. At one end near the entrance is placed a large parlor for the use of ladies and escorts, where they will escape the crush of large crowds. The parlor is carpeted with a heavy Brussels of bright color and furnished with a number of easy chairs. Miss Fannie Cochran has charge of it, and takes pleasure in looking after the wants of the ladies in an accommodating manner. Although the number of attractions was not as large as was expected by the proprietors, they spoke well for what will be shown in the future, all being of a high class, and not offensive to the most sensitive taste. Professor H. V. Lee, who is in charge of the hall, delivers a short lecture, giving descriptions of each attraction.

The exhibition consisted of Maggie, the midget mother, and her interesting child, the smallest family in the world; C. A. Bonney, the musical Albino, and Lewis and Paul, the detective defiers, who accomplish the feat of unlocking any pair of handcuffs that is given them in six seconds. At the conclusion of the exhibition in the curio hall, which lasts about thirty minutes, the doors are thrown open into the theatre proper, an extended description of which has been published in former issues of the INTELLIGENCER. The interior decoration is in keeping with the curio hall, although more highly ornamented. The hall contains about 400 chairs. On each side of the stage are loges, each seating six people. The stage is a model for its size in completeness. The decorations and scenic effects are especially good. The very pretty proscenium front is much enhanced by a striking drop curtain of artistic design.

There is also a complete outfit of new scenery, to meet all requirements of the different attractions that will appear here during the coming winter. A good orchestra is an attractive feature of the place.

The bill presented this week is opened by a number of imitations by Bonney, the Albino, followed by Achew, who does a good club swinging act. Frank Emerson, bone soloist, late of Carncross & Dixey's minstrels; Willard and Hall, sketch artists and comedians, in a very clever burlesque; Miss Grace Melborn, in a number of vocal selections, follow, closing with the Whittings, who give a fine exhibition of singing, dancing and horizontal bar work.

All of the performers are clever in their lines, and all were greeted with rounds of applause. In the evening, when the doors were thrown open to the public, the place was not begun to hold the people, and three performances had to be given, each to crowded houses.

The proprietors, Messrs. Schofield & Sortore, have every reason to be proud of their new venture. Mr. J. B. Sortore will remain here and manage the new theatre and look after all the details. J. A. Mathews will have charge of the door and F. E. Joyce will dispose of the tickets on the inside. Prof. H. V. Lee, the lecturer, will also locate here permanently and look after the curio hall. H. B. Faris has charge of the programme, which makes its appearance in a very attractive form. The refreshment stand in the curio hall is in charge of Mr. Charles E. VanKeuren, and is an excellent and new idea for theatres and deserves patronage. Four performances will be given to-

day, and if any one wants to spend an hour pleasantly there is no better place in the city.

"Dr. Bill."

Of this comedy, which is to appear at the Opera House Thursday night, the Chicago Times says: "The first presentation of 'Dr. Bill' in this city was given at the Columbus last evening. It was heralded as a great London success and in drawing power will probably receive a similar verdict in this city. From a dramatic standpoint, however, it is neither better nor worse than plays of its kind brought from abroad. It belongs to the farce-comedy class and as such it must be considered. To expect coherence, naturalness, or any special literary merit of it would be too exacting in this day of light and farcical stage business. In the hands of a common-place company there would, in fact, be very little to say of it, but as introduced last evening it was immensely amusing and a popular success. The kangaroo dance received a number of encores."

"A Knotty Affair."

The coming of the comedian John C. Rice, who is announced to appear at the Opera House Friday night, should arouse the interest of all theatre-goers. Mr. Rice is an actor of rare merit, and during the many years that he was connected with George Monroe, he became a great favorite in almost every city in America. Now that he has started out for himself in his satirical farce, "A Knotty Affair," he has surrounded himself with an exceptionally clever company and is straining every effort to become as popular alone as he was in partnership. "A Knotty Affair," unlike most so-called farces of the day, contains a particularly funny and interesting story, and is replete with ludicrous situations throughout. It also has a number of good musical numbers and original specialties.

"Lost in New York."

Lovers of the realistic and sensational in the drama will be afforded a rare treat next Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Grand Opera House, when the great scenic melo-drama, "Lost in New York," will be magnificently produced with the New York cast and a car load of brand new scenery. Many new and startling realistic features will be introduced, including a river of real water, a full rigged yacht, rowboats, ferries, a prismatic fountain and a practical steamboat that runs at the rate of twelve miles an hour and carries twenty passengers. The company is said to be one of the strongest on the road, appearing in melo-drama. The play abounds in comedy, sensation and pathos. Many new specialties will be introduced incidental to the action of the drama.

N. S. Wood at the Grand.

The Grand was crowded to the doors last night by an audience that numbered over one thousand people, to welcome the favorite young actor, N. S. Wood, after an absence of three years. Mr. Wood never appeared to better advantage than he did last night, and the supporting company was first class in every particular. The play is not of the blood and thunder order, but one that appeals to the bright side of life and pure in tone and character. The scenery was very fine, and Mr. Wood knows how to mount a play in good style. The seats are selling fast for this evening's performance, and the Grand is sure to be crowded to the doors again this evening. A matinee will be given to-morrow afternoon, and the engagement closes with the evening performance. Seats are on sale at Genter's.

"The Voodoo" To-night.

"The Voodoo, or a Lucky Charm," which appears at the Opera House to-night, is a musical comedy founded on "Voodooism," a kind of superstition that still exists among a certain element in the Southern States and the West Indies, has made one of the big hits of the new pieces produced this season. The comedy is credited with being one of the funniest of its order yet presented, and entirely novel in every detail.

"He Coming Man."

Hon. Henry Hall will lecture on the above subject at the Young Men's Christian Association hall Thursday evening. Mr. Hall has a clear, ringing voice and fluent delivery, and his lecture is brilliant and eloquent, sparkling with gems of wit and humor. Seats will be reserved at the Y. M. C. A. building at 9 o'clock this morning.

Grocers' Elect Officers.

The Retail Grocers' Protective Association, at their meeting held last evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Board of directors, W. C. Eberts, C. K. Smith, H. W. Schrebe, S. G. Naylor, Thomas Killeen; first vice president, H. W. Schrebe; second vice president, I. Vieweg; recording secretary, G. C. Stroebel; financial secretary, William Wendel; treasurer, John McKee. It was also decided not to give Christmas presents to customers the coming Christmas.

The Rev. Wm. Stout, Warrenton, Ont., states: After being ineffectually treated by seventeen different doctors for Scrophula and blood disease, I was cured by Burdock Blood Bitters. Write him for proof.

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A LECTURE ON CHARITY

At St. Joseph's Cathedral, Last Night, by Rev. Father Sheedy.

The lecture last night at the St. Joseph's Cathedral, by Rev. Father M. M. Sheedy, of Pittsburgh, under the auspices of the Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, was well attended and a large sum was realized for alleviating the sufferings of the poor of Wheeling.

The subject of the lecture was "The Great Precept—Charity," and it was treated in an able and eloquent style by Father Sheedy. He recounted the immense amount of charity performed by the Catholic church throughout the United States and the world—branches of charity that are not covered by any organizations outside of the Catholic church.

In every age, since Catholicism first came into existence, the church has been pre-eminent for the charitable work done. It has sheltered helpless infants who have never known a mother's love. Not only has the church provided suitable homes for those on the threshold of life, but it shelters those on the threshold of death.

He named the numerous and admirable charitable organizations connected with the Catholic church, among them the Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul, Sisters of Mercy, Little Sisters of the Poor, and many others, whose sacrifices for the help of the poor and sick and friendless of this world challenge admiration and emulation.

Father Sheedy's talk lasted nearly an hour, and was listened to with close attention throughout, and was productive of much good.

Bishop Kain followed, and made a short but effective appeal for the charitable and benevolent work of the church.

MRS. SPEASE'S HEARING.

The Wellsburg Homicide Investigated Yesterday Afternoon.

At 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon the preliminary hearing in the case of Mrs. Mary Spease, charged with the murder of little Nora Starr, began at Wellsburg. Previous to that time she was in jail merely by commitment of the coroner. The evidence was largely covered by the exhaustive story of the case printed exclusively in the INTELLIGENCER of yesterday. The story of abuse and mistreatment shocked all who heard it brought out at the examination. An interesting feature of the evidence was the photograph made by A. E. Canby, of the child's dead body, showing the location of the numerous bruises and scars made by cruel beatings.

When the justice adjourned the hearing the woman was remanded to jail. She preserved her stolid, indifferent demeanor throughout the proceedings.

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WAGNER—On Monday, December 5, 1892, at 8 o'clock a. m., MARTIN WAGNER, aged 28 years.

Funeral from his late residence in Triadelphia, Wednesday, December 7, at 2 o'clock p. m. Interment at Stone Church Cemetery. Friends of the family invited.

DEAN—On Sunday, December 4, 1892, at 7:40 p. m., JOHN DEAN, in his 20th year.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 191 Allen 14, this (Tuesday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family invited to attend. Interment at Peninsular Cemetery.

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